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Biography

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GENERAL JEROME F. O'MALLEY

General Jerome F. O'Malley is commander of Tactical Air Command, with headquarters at Langley Air Force Base, Va. His command comprises more than 113,000 military and civilian personnel, stationed at 18 major Tactical Air Command installations and other units in the United States, Panama, Okinawa and Iceland. Tactical Air Command is the gaining organization for 64,000 Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve personnel throughout the United States.

General O'Malley was born Feb. 25, 1932, in Carbondale, Pa., and graduated from St. Rose Parochial School in 1949. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., in 1953 with a bachelor of science degree in military science and a commission as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. General O'Malley completed the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., and concurrently earned a master's degree in business administration from The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in 1965, and graduated from the Naval War College, Newport, R.I., in 1970.



After receiving his pilot wings in August 1954 at Bryan Air Force Base, Texas, General O'Malley received jet training in F-86 Sabrejets at Perrin Air Force Base, Texas.

In January 1955 he was assigned as an air training officer at the U.S. Air Force Academy, then located at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo. He attended B-47 transition training at McConnell Air Force Base, Kan., from December 1957 to February 1958, and was then assigned as a B-47 pilot with the 529th Bombardment Squadron at Plattsburgh Air Force Base, N.Y. From June 1960 to August 1964, General O'Malley served as an aide to General Hunter Harris, who was 8th Air Force commander at Westover Air Force Base, Mass., and then vice commander in chief, Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Following graduation with distinction from the Air Command and Staff College in June 1965, General O'Malley served as a pilot with the 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, Beale Air Force Base, Calif. While there he flew the first operational mission of the SR-71, the free world's most advanced strategic reconnaissance aircraft. In July 1969 he entered the Naval War College.

From July 1970 to April 1971, he was director of operations for the 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, and flew RF-4C's. General O'Malley then left for Southeast Asia and served as vice commander and later commander of the 460th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing at Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Republic of Vietnam. In September 1971 he was assigned as vice commander of the 432nd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand. He flew 116 combat missions in F-4D's and RF-4C's.

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He commanded the 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing at Beale Air Force Base from May 1972 to May 1973. He was then named commander of the 22nd Bombardment Wing, March Air Force Base, Calif., and later served as chief of staff for 15th Air Force, also located at March Air Force Base. He was then assigned as assistant deputy chief of staff for plans at SAC headquarters, Offutt Air Force Base, from July 1974 to June 1975, when he was named deputy chief of staff for operations plans.

In January 1977 the general moved to Washington, D.C., for duty as vice director for operations, Operations Directorate, Joint Staff, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General O'Malley served as assistant deputy chief of staff, operations, plans and readiness at U.S. Air Force headquarters, from May 1979 to August 1980, when he became deputy chief of staff for plans and operations. The general was appointed vice chief of staff of the U.S. Air Force in June 1982 and in October 1983 was named commander in chief of the Pacific Air Forces, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii. He assumed his present command in September 1984.

General O'Malley is a command pilot with more than 5,000 flying hours. His military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Presidential Unit Citation Emblem with two oak leaf clusters, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Ribbon with "V" device and three oak leaf clusters, Republic of Korea Order of National Security Merit, Republic of Vietnam Air Service Medal Honor Class and Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm.

He was promoted to general June 1, 1982, with same date of rank.

General O'Malley is married to the former Diane Muennink of Hondo, Texas. They have two sons, James Francis and John Thomas; and two daughters, Margaret Anne O'Malley Neal and Sharon Kay.

PERSONAL FACT SHEET - GENERAL JEROME F. O'MALLEY

A. Personal Data

1. Born - Feb. 25, 1932, Carbondale, Pa.
Father - James F. O'Malley; mother - Mary M. O'Malley (both deceased).
2. Married - April 16, 1955; wife - Diane Muennink.
Children - Mrs. Margaret Neal, Sharon Kay, James Francis and John Thomas.

B. Education

Graduated - U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., bachelor of science degree, 1953; pilot training school, 1954; The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., master of science degree, 1965; Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., 1965; and Naval War College, Newport, R.I., 1970.

C. Service

1. June 1949 - June 1953, cadet, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.
2. June 1953 - January 1955, student, pilot training, Hondo Air Base, Texas; and Bryan and Perrin Air Force Bases, Texas.
3. January 1955 - November 1957, air training officer, U.S. Air Force Academy, Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.
4. December 1957 - February 1958, B-47 transition training, McConnell Air Force Base, Kan.
5. February 1958 - May 1960, B-47 pilot, 529th Bombardment Squadron, Plattsburgh Air Force Base, N.Y.
6. June 1960 - September 1962, aide-de-camp to commander, 8th Air Force, Westover Air Force Base, Mass.
7. September 1962 - August 1964, aide to vice commander in chief, Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
8. August 1964 - July 1965, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
9. July 1965 - August 1969, pilot, SR-71 combat crew, 4201st Strategic Reconnaissance Squadron (redesignated 1st Strategic Reconnaissance Wing); aircraft commander, radar countermeasures SR-71; liaison officer, 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, Beale Air Force Base, Calif.
10. August 1969 - July 1970, student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
11. July 1970 - April 1971, director of operations, 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

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12. April 1971 - September 1971, vice commander and later commander, 460th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Republic of Vietnam.
13. September 1971 - May 1972, special assistant to wing commander and later vice commander, 432nd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand.
14. May 1972 - May 1973, vice commander and then commander, 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, Beale Air Force Base, Calif.
15. May 1973 - February 1974, commander, 22nd Bombardment Wing, March Air Force Base, Calif., with temporary duty as commander, 340th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Wing, U-Tapao Royal Thai Naval Airfield, Thailand.
16. February 1974 - June 1974, chief of staff, 15th Air Force, March Air Force Base, Calif.
17. July 1974 - May 1975, assistant deputy chief of staff, plans, SAC headquarters, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.
18. June 1975 - January 1977, deputy chief of staff, operations plans, SAC headquarters, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., with additional duty as chief, Single Integrated Operational Plan Division, Joint Strategic Targeting Planning Staff.
19. January 1977 - April 1979, vice director, J-3, Joint Staff, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C.
20. May 1979 - July 1980, assistant deputy chief of staff, operations, plans and readiness, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
21. July 1980 - June 1982, deputy chief of staff, plans and operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
22. June 1982 - September 1983, vice chief of staff, U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
23. October 1983 - September 1984, commander in chief, Pacific Air Forces, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.
24. September 1984 - present, commander, Tactical Air Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

D. Decorations and Service Awards

Distinguished Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Defense Superior Service Medal
Legion of Merit
Distinguished Flying Cross with one oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal
Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Presidential Unit Citation Emblem with two oak leaf clusters

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Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Ribbon with "V" device and three oak leaf clusters
Combat Readiness Medal
National Defense Service Medal with one service star
Vietnam Service Medal with three service stars
Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with five oak leaf clusters
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon
Republic of Korea Order of National Security Merit
Republic of Vietnam Air Service Medal Honor Class
Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

E. Effective Dates of Promotions

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Second Lieutenant	Jun 2, 1953
First Lieutenant	Dec 2, 1954
Captain	Apr 30, 1958
Major	Jul 15, 1964
Lieutenant Colonel	Feb 20, 1967
Colonel	Nov 1, 1969
Brigadier General	Sep 1, 1974
Major General	May 1, 1977
Lieutenant General	Aug 1, 1980
General	Jun 1, 1982

(Date of rank June 1, 1982)

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